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The station is so arranged that incoming and outgoing traffic will not interfere. It did not interfere yesterday, strictly speaking, for the passengers lived up to expectations. It was the sightseer, however, who went in one door and came out of the same one again.

Taxis ran into Vanderbilt avenue and unloaded their passengers and trunks as if that thoroughfare had been opened for months, whereas it was opened only on Saturday.

The spacious waiting room, between the main concourse and 125 street, was decorated with palms. It was so populous, though, that the decorations, except for the palm branches, were hidden from view most of the time. The waiting room is designed to serve as a place where travelers may wait in comfort and quiet. On another Sunday it may live up to requirements, but yesterday it was in the possession of the sightseers. Even babies and perambulators found their way into the station, for the ramps afforded an opportunity for locomotion impossible on a long flight of stairs.

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The throngs that visited the terminal yesterday had a decidedly noticeable effect on subway traffic at the station at that point.

DR. LUBECK 25 YEARS RECTOR

Bishop Greer Preaches Sermon After
Conveying Gift of Money.

Bishop Greer received an envelope with a substantial amount of money just before services in the Episcopal Church of Zion and St. Timothy, 5th street, near Eighth avenue, yesterday morning. The Bishop handed the envelope to the Rev. Dr. Henry Lubeck, whose twenty-fifth anniversary as rector was observed in the parish that followed.

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EAST RIVER PARK PROJECT

Mitchel to Act Regarding It After
Subway Contracts Are Signed.

John Purroy Mitchel, President of the Board of Aldermen and chairman of the special committee of the Board of Estimate appointed some time ago to pass upon the feasibility of the acquisition by the city of a site for the East River Park in Long Island City, has informed the committee of the Long Island City Business Men's Association that as soon as the subway contracts are out of the way he will take up this matter.

The proposed park will cost nearly \$1,000,000, and its establishment is much desired by a number of the prominent civic workers of Manhattan, among whom are Mrs. Russell Sage and Mrs. Helen Gould Shepard. It is planned to have it used as a vacation ground for the children of the upper East Side, and Mrs. Sage and Mrs. Shepard have agreed to make liberal gifts for the improvement of the tract.

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